

TOWN OF HUNTS POINT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, November 7, 2011 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fred McConkey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Dee Claypool John Franklin Heather Smith

Council Members Absent:

Ted Frantz Kevin Hughes

Staff:

Jack McKenzie, Town Administrator Sue Ann Spens, Finance Coordinator Mona Green, Town Planner Margaret King, Town Attorney Linda Kroner, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Mark Thomas, Medina Chief of Police

Public Attendees:

Elaine Coles, Resident, Planning Commissioner
Janet Daly, Resident
Lloyd Embry, Resident, Planning Commissioner
Vilma McComsey, Resident, Planning Commissioner
Rod Olson, Resident, Planning Commissioner
Annie Ottesen, Resident
Ann Sabey, Resident
Joe Sabey, Resident, Planning Commissioner
Bruce Swenson, Resident, Planning Commissioner
John Torode, Resident, Planning Commission Chair
Dan Temkin

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Approve the Consent Calendar including the October 3, 2011 minutes and the Voucher listing. Moved by Smith, seconded by Claypool. Passed 3 - 0. **MOTION CARRIED**

STAFF REPORTS Medina Police Dept.

Chief Mark Thomas reported that the only crimes during the last month were two vehicle prowls. He noted that this is a growing problem. He also reported on the Shredder day held in conjunction with the King County drug turn in day. They shredded 4.5 tons of paper and took back 120 pounds of drugs. Also \$882 was donated to Hopelink during the day. They expect to have this event twice a year. In response to a question regarding response time, he noted that he has not set a target but will look into the concern. Also, thanks was expressed to Chief Thomas for the Department's attention to speeding in Hunts Point.

Bellevue Fire Dept.

No report received

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING - SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN

A Joint Public Hearing with the Planning Commission on the Shoreline Management Plan was held starting at 7:15 PM.

The Mayor introduced the topic and provided a history of the development of the current draft. He noted that the plan has been developed considering the specific needs of Hunts Point. There was a discussion of the rest of the process including receiving public input at the Town Meeting on November 9, 2011 and the final discussion at the Planning Commission meeting on November 28, 2011. At that meeting the Planning Commission will approve a final draft to be sent to the Council for approval at their December 5, 2011 meeting. The plan will then be submitted to the state.

There was a question from Rod Olson regarding whether or not the latest version is on the website. It was indicated that it was. John Torode asked if we can track the "hits" on the site and at this time we cannot. Bruce Swenson was concerned

that the 4 foot wide docks in the plan are not safe and they should be six feet wide or at the least 5 feet wide.

Rod Olson thanked Mona Green and Amy Somme for their hard work on the plan. Annie Otteson also thanked those who had worked so hard on the plan.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:20 PM.

PUBLIC HEARING – TAX LEVY ORDINANCE NO. 487

A public hearing was held on the Tax Levy Ordinance No. 487 beginning at 7:20 PM.

The Mayor indicated that the tax levy was raised the maximum allowed by law which is a 1% increase over the prior year levy. It will increase revenue by \$2,400.

There was no public comment.

The hearing was closed at 7:25 PM

The Council had no further discussion on the matter.

MOTION: Approve proposed Tax Levy Ordinance No. 487

Moved by Franklin, seconded by Smith.

Passed 3 - 0.

CONTRACT FOR SURVEY WORK TO RECONFIGURE TOWN HALL PARKING LOT

The survey is needed due to changes in access to Town Hall due to SR 520 work. Also a survey will be done to include the park area as none currently exists. It was noted that the state deeded the land to the Town for the new access so the Town does not have to buy the land. Also it was noted that the new access will work with the existing Town Hall or the proposed new Town Hall.

MOTION CARRIED

There was a question regarding whether or not we would be reimbursed by the State and it was indicated that we would not. It was also noted that the new access would provide better flow and control of traffic into the Town. This would also maximize the use of the cameras for crime prevention. There was a question asked if there were bids solicited for this work. It was noted that the architect did get bids and the amount is standard for this type of work.

MOTION: Approve the contract for survey work to reconfigure the Town Hall parking lot. Moved by Claypool, seconded by Franklin.

Passed 3 - 0. MOTION CARRIED

TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM CURRENT EXPENSE TO CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

The proposal is to move \$350,000 from the current expense fund to the capital projects fund. This would leave \$450,000 in the reserves and increase the capital projects fund to \$800,000. This would be a large portion of the funds needed to build a new Town Hall. It is expected that the funds will not be spent until extensive Town input is received regarding the use of the funds and the new Town Hall. It was noted that the current Town Hall does not meet Federal standards. There is not a specific timeline for meeting those standards. The bid received to retrofit the current Town Hall was \$450,000. It was discussed that the bid could be redone. It was also noted that the money could be moved out of the fund if needed.

There was a discussion of the capital funds account and its use. The Real Estate Excise Tax money goes into that account and must be spent on capital projects by law. There was then discussion on the need for an extensive citizen input process regarding building the new Town Hall.

MOTION: Approve the transfer of funds of \$350,000 from Current Expense Fund to Capital Projects fund. Moved by Claypool, no second.

MOTION WITHDRAWN

MOTION: Approve the transfer of funds of \$175,000 from Current Expense Fund to Capital Projects fund. Moved by Franklin seconded by Smith. Passed 3 - 0.

MOTION CARRIED

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported on the last Points Cities Mayors meeting where they met with legislators. The legislators indicated that much of the state budget problem stems from labor contracts with built in increases in salary and benefits. They are working on getting the contracts changed and introducing binding arbitration clauses for contract disputes.

The Mayor discussed the progress with the State on the SR 520 issues regarding the trail and the larger trees requested. The indication is the discussions are going well and our requests should be approved. Also the HOV lane will be a two

person lane, and the roundabout will be wired so meters can be installed in the future.

The Mayor indicated that Jeri and Ted Frantz have donated an American flag to the Town and asked that the Council accept the gift and he will send a thank you letter to them.

MOTION: Accept the gift of the American Flag from Jeri and Ted Frantz.

Moved by Smith seconded by Claypool.

Passed 3 - 0.

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor extended his thanks to all who worked on the Shoreline Management Plan including Ted Frantz, Dan Temkin, Rod Olson, Peter Powell, and Mona Green.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McConkey adjourned the meeting at 8:15 PM.

	APPROVED
Linda Kroner	Fred McConkey
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer	Mayor